

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 518
By Hargett

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Mabel Major Raney
on the celebration of her 100th birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to those citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, Mabel Major Raney will celebrate her 100th birthday on May 9, 2003, a milestone that will be commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, the eldest of Monty and Thomas Major's five children, Mrs. Raney was born and raised in Oxford, Mississippi, moving to Memphis at the age of twenty-one; and

WHEREAS, a longtime resident of Shelby County, she is a highly respected member of the Memphis community; and

WHEREAS, for many years, Mrs. Raney served with acumen and alacrity as the Kodak picture finisher at Mosley Robinson Drug Store on Main Street, in which position she earned the respect of her peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of her work; she garnered her photography experience while working with her father, who was a photographer in Oxford; and

WHEREAS, in 1942, she was joined in marriage with P.B. Raney, and the couple enjoyed a most blessed union; and

WHEREAS, as Mrs. Raney approaches her 11th decade, she is still an active and productive member of society, participating in various civic and community events, as her health permits; and

WHEREAS, she continues to enjoy sewing and working in her flowerbeds, as she has throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, we wish to seize this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of Tennessee's most outstanding citizens on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor Mabel Major Raney on the celebration of her 100th birthday and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.